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In re Application of

Dickory RUDDUCK et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed in the above-referenced application. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including a Replacement Specification incorporating all of the Amendments made herein is attached following Page 8 of this paper. Claims 30 –47 have been renumbered as claims 7 – 27 in the Replacement Specification.